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**NOTICE OF EXPERIMENTAL AQUACULTURE LEASE APPLICATION  
AND PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**TO:** Riparian (shorefront) landowners within 1,000 ft. of proposed aquaculture lease site  
Town of Stonington  
General and Specific Mailing Lists for lease application #2017-04-E

**FROM:** Amanda Ellis, Aquaculture Hearing Officer <sup>AE</sup> <sub>05/10</sub>

**DATE:** May 12, 2017

**APPLICATION:** Robert E. Brewer has applied to the Department of Marine Resources for a limited-purpose (experimental) aquaculture lease to grow sea scallops using suspended culture on a 3.8-acre site located southwest of Andrews Isle, East Penobscot Bay, Stonington. The application, Docket # 2017-04-E, is posted under "Pending Aquaculture Lease Applications" on the Department's website, [www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture](http://www.maine.gov/dmr/aquaculture).

To request a paper copy of the application, please call Cindy L. Burke at (207) 624-6567 or e-mail [cindy.l.burke@maine.gov](mailto:cindy.l.burke@maine.gov). The aquaculture page of the DMR website also has information on how the public can participate in the aquaculture leasing process.

**COMMENT PERIOD:** The Department of Marine Resources announces a **30-day public comment period** during which interested persons may submit written comments or request a public hearing on the application. A hearing is optional for experimental lease applications unless the Department receives five or more written requests from interested persons during the 30-day comment period. The comment period ends June 19, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. A copy of the public notice advertising the comment period is attached. The legal authority for this notice is Title 12, MRSA §6072-A (5) and DMR Rules Chapter 2.64 (4) (C).

**CONTACT THE APPLICANT:** Robert E. Brewer has asked us to encourage you to contact him directly to discuss any questions or concerns you may have about this proposed lease. His contact information is:

Robert E. Brewer  
140 Stanley Field Drive  
Deer Isle, ME 04627  
Cell Phone No.: (207) 322-0569

**DMR REVIEW:** In the course of our review, Department biologists will visit and assess the site in light of the legal requirements for aquaculture leases. Other state and federal agencies will also review the application, including the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Cindy Burke, (207) 624-6567, [cindy.l.burke@maine.gov](mailto:cindy.l.burke@maine.gov), or Amanda Ellis (207) 626-6573, [amanda.ellis@maine.gov](mailto:amanda.ellis@maine.gov).